

### Remarks

#### Status of the Claims

Claims 1-20 are presented. Claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form, and claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 2. Claims 1 and 4-20 are cancelled without prejudice. No new claims are added.

No new matter has been introduced.

#### Allowable Subject Matter

In the current office action, the Examiner objected to claims 2 and 3, as previously presented, as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants have agreed to so amend claims 2 and 3 and cancel the remaining claims.

#### Conclusion

In summary, in view of the above claim amendments, applicants believe that the pending claims as amended are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider, withdraw the rejections and allow the claims to issue.

If any additional fees are required in support of this application,  
authorization is granted to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1943.

Respectfully submitted,

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